Testimony Regarding Support for HB 5283 & SB 229 and School Construction Funds for Public Charter Schools March 4, 2022

Dear Members of the Education Committee,

My name is Enid Tettey, I am a 9th grader at The Bridge Academy Public Charter School in Bridgeport CT.

I was upset and mad when I heard the news that Governor Lamont proposed cuts that would affect me and my peers. I was upset because of what we were promised, we were promised a lot of change in our communities; it is sad that they want to push all the things that are important to the side and leave the future generation behind and it is heartbreaking that schools have to go through a lot to help students.

Our elected leaders need to understand that a lot of schools are understaffed and many of them need help with repairing the school. Some kids also need extra help with learning and that alone needs a lot of attention and we can't do that if we can't get help for our school.

I really hope that something can be done to fix this problem.

Thank you for your time Enid Tettey Student-The Bridge Academy Public Charter School Bridgeport CT.